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SRI B. SANKARAYYA :—" ఈ భూసంస్కరణలకు సంబంధించినంతవరకు కమిటీలను నియమించడం కేవలం ప్రజలను మభ్యపెట్టుటకేనని, ఇదివరలో ఈ కమిటీలు ఇచ్చిన రిపోర్టులను అందుచేత ప్రభుత్వంవారు అమలు జరుపుటకు పూనుకొనుట లేదని ప్రజలు అనుకొంటున్నారు అది నిజమేనా ? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" The report of the Commitee was placed on the table of the House and the hon. Member would have read it, I suppose; we are also reading it and are preparing notes."

SRI G. RAMA RAO :—" May I, in this connexion, draw the attention of the Hon. Minister to the fact that the A.I.C.C. has passed a resolution in respect of fixing a ceiling in respect of landholding and having regard to that fact will the Government fix a ceiling limit for landholders so that lands in excess of the ceiling limit in their possession may be distributed to the landless poor without the payment of market value? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" The question of a ceiling limit is one of the important issues, Sir."

SRI V. R. NAGARAJAN :—" In view of the fact that this urgent problem is being delayed inordinately by the Government, may I urge upon the Hon. Minister to take up at least some of the salient recommendations of the Committee and fix up the ceiling limit for landholding because, Sir, there is no meaning in allowing any amount of lands to be held after the passing of the Zamindari Abolition Act in the State? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" I may assure the hon. Member that I am more anxious than the hon. Member to give effect to certain reforms but we are placed in such circumstances that we cannot pay our attention to this now."

SRI T. NAGI REDDI :—" May I know, Sir, if there is any chance at all of this report being the basis of an enactment or is it going to be postponed from time to time for various reasons, the immediate reason now being the division of the State? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—"The hon. Member will know about it by and by."

Disciplinary action against students by the Police.

* 935 *Q.*—SRI K. KRISHNA RAO : Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the power of initiation of disciplinary action against students under the Madras Educational Rules entrusted to the Police—vide answer to question No. 24 on 8th November 1949 in the Legislative Assembly, still continue and if so, what is the exact position to-day in regard to the power of Police to set in motion the various penal provisions of the Madras Educational Rules against students in schools and colleges in the State; and

(b) whether it is a fact that college students of the V.R. College, Nellore, have been and are subjected to Police surveillance for having participated in anti-detention agitation?

THE HON. DR. M. V. KRISHNA RAO :—"(a) The answer to the first part of this clause is 'No'. The second part does not arise.

"(b) No."

Irrigation under the Peruvalai and Ayyan channels, Lalgudi taluk.

* 936 Q.—SRI N. RAJAGOPAL : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state whether any representation was received from the ryots of Lalgudi taluk, Tiruchirappalli district, regarding closure of several irrigation sluices in the upper riparian region of Peruvalai and Ayyan channels; and also the special treatment to certain lands and the consequent loss to others and if so, what action has been taken on the same?

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" Several representations against closure of the upper sluices of the channels were received. Owing to the failure of the monsoon and the unprecedented low flows in the Cauvery during the last irrigation season, the available supplies had to be distributed equitably through a turn system, in the working of which the upper sluices of the channels had to be closed for some days in the week to pass down supplies to the tail-end ayacut. Complaints about insufficiency of supplies to certain lands and special treatment of others were looked into and were found to be baseless in most cases and relief was given where necessary."

SRI N. RAJAGOPAL :—" May I know what the number of days is on which the sluices were closed and whether any favouritism was shown to certain persons; if so, Sir, may I know why? "

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" I have already said that no favouritism was shown and wherever complaints were taken to the notice of the authorities, they were examined and they were found to be baseless and not valid."

Supervisor in the Highways Department in South Kanara.

* 937 Q.—SRI M. S. MOGRAL : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(a) whether a supervisor of the Highways Department was posted to the Panchayat department in South Kanara;

(b) whether he has joined duty so far; and

(c) if not, what arrangements have been made by the Government to post a substitute?

THE HON. SRI N. SANKARA REDDI :—" (a) Yes.